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**NASHUA MAN SENTENCED FOR
REENTERING THE UNITED STATES AFTER BEING DEPORTED**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – United States Attorney Tom Colantuono reports that 34-year-old Ignacio Sepulveda-Catanowas was sentenced today to 41 months in federal prison for the crime of reentering the United States after being deported to his home country of Colombia.

United States Attorney Tom Colantuono said, "In New Hampshire immigration crimes will continue to be aggressively prosecuted and, as this sentence shows, those who commit those crimes should expect to serve significant jail time."

Sepulveda-Catano, who is also known as Jesus Rivera and Emmanuel Montano, formerly lived on Hollis Street in Nashua. He was deported from the United States on July 28, 2003. On or about September 16, 2004, he was found in Nashua, New Hampshire by agents of the Department of Homeland Security, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Sepulveda-Catano was indicted on September 21, 2005, by a federal grand jury for illegally reentering the United States after being deported. He pled guilty to this charge on January 5, 2006.

This case was investigated by the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement of the Department of Homeland Security, and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mark S. Zuckerman.